

## Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

### Listing of the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of treating coloured fabrics with a luminance (L\*) less than 50 which comprises contacting the fabrics with a wash liquor comprising:
  - a) 0.1-0.001 g/L of a hydroxy C2-C4 alkyl derivative of hydroxy ethyl cellulose having a beta 1-4 polysaccharide backbone;
  - b) surfactant;
  - c) wherein the hydroxy C2-C4 alkyl derivative is a hydroxy ethyl cellulose derivative;
  - d) wherein the molecular weight of the hydroxyl ethyl cellulose derivative is 200,000 to 300,000 Daltons; and
  - e) wherein the hydroxyl ethyl cellulose derivative is such that the has a viscosity of the material is 300-400 cps at 2%wt solution in water.
2. (original) A method according to claim 1 wherein the fabrics are black.
3. (cancel)
4. (cancel)
5. (currently amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the degree of substitution of the hydroxy C2-C4-alkyl-derivative ethyl cellulose (DS) is 1-3.

6. (currently amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the degree of substitution of the hydroxy C2-C4 alkyl derivative ethyl cellulose (DS) is 1.5-2.25.

7.-10. (cancelled)